

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-18 (Cancelled)

19. (previously presented) A method of changing the combination of a lock said method comprising the step of:

inserting a key into a key cylinder of the lock;

rotating said key;

rotating a number dial relative to a tumbler dial;

turning the key back to the locked position

wherein the lock remains locked while the combination is changed.

20. (previously presented) The method set forth in claim 19 wherein the step of rotating the key further comprising decoupling the number dial from the tumbler dial.

21. (previously presented) The method set forth in claim 19 wherein the key cylinder is mounted in a tumbler dial offset from the rotational center of the tumbler dial.

22. (previously presented) The method set forth in claim 19 wherein at least ten combination changes are available.

23. (previously presented) The method as set forth in claim 19 further comprising the step of aligning a marking with a number on said number dial, wherein said number correlates to a combination to unlock the lock.

Claims 24-31 (cancelled)